UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

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SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

MEDMARC CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, LAWYERCARE

Defendants.

Civil Action No.:

Hon.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

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TO: The Honorable Chief Judge and Judges of the United States District Court

for the District of New Jersey

ON NOTICE TO:

Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esq. SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC 16 South Haddon Avenue Haddonfield, New Jersey 08033 Attorneys for Plaintiff, Siciliano & Associates, LLC.

Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court, Camden County Camden County Hall of Justice 101 South 5th Street, Suite 150 Camden, NJ 08103-4001

Clerk,

Superior Court of New Jersey Hughes Justice Complex 25 West Market Street P.O. Box 971 Trenton, New Jersey 08625

YOUR HONORS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that defendant, Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company ("Medmarc"), and improperly pled defendant, LawyerCare, hereby remove the above-entitled declaratory judgment action from the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Camden County, docket No. CAM-L-938-21, to the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Sections 1332, 1441, and 1446.

In support of this Notice of Removal, Medmarc states:

1. This case is properly removed to this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Sections 1332 and 1441, because the amount in controversy as pled is likely to exceed \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs, the procedural requirements for removal are satisfied, and because this is a civil action between a New Jersey corporation whose sole member is believed to be New Jersey citizens on the one hand, and a Vermont corporation with its principal place of business in the State of Virginia on the other.

I. The Procedural Requirements for Removal Are Satisfied

- 2. On March 30, 2021, plaintiff, Siciliano & Associates, LLC., ("Plaintiff"), filed a declaratory judgment complaint in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Camden County. ("DJ Action.") A true and accurate copy of the Complaint is annexed hereto as Exhibit A.
- 3. Medmarc received a copy of the Summons and Complaint in the DJ Action by certified mail on April 6, 2021. A true and accurate copy of Plaintiff's March 31, 2021 transmittal letter is attached as Exhibit B.
- 4. As of this date, Medmarc has not filed a responsive pleading in the DJ Action commenced by Plaintiff in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Camden County.
 - 5. This Notice of Removal is timely under 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b) as Medmarc has

filed this Notice of Removal "within 30 days after the receipt . . . through service or otherwise, of a copy of the initial pleading setting forth the claim for relief upon which such action or proceeding is based[.]" 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b).

- 6. The United States District Court for the District of New Jersey includes the locality in which the State Court Action is now pending and, thus, this Court is a proper forum for this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a).
 - 7. No previous application has been made for the relief requested herein.
- 8. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), a copy of this Notice of Removal is being served on Plaintiff and a copy is being filed with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Camden County, Law Division.
- 9. If any question arises regarding the propriety of the removal of this action, Medmarc respectfully requests the opportunity to present a brief and oral argument in support of its position that this case is removable.

II. Removal Is Proper Pursuant To 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332 And 1441

10. The United States District Court for the District of New Jersey has original jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332 because it arises between a New Jersey corporation whose sole member is believed to be a New Jersey citizen on the one hand, and a Vermont corporation with its principal place of business in the State of Virginia, on the other; and because based upon the allegations in the DJ Action Complaint, which seeks in part, indemnity for the underlying Malpractice Action, the amount in controversy is likely to exceed \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs.

A. Complete Diversity of Citizenship Exists

11. Plaintiff avers that "Siciliano & Associates, LLC," is a New Jersey Limited Liability Corporation, engaged in the practice of law. It has a business address and principal

place of business at 16 South Haddon Avenue, Haddonfield, New Jersey. See Ex. A at ¶2.

- 12. Upon information and belief, the principal of Plaintiff, Siciliano & Associates, Salvatore J. Siciliano, is a citizen of the state of New Jersey.
- 13. Medmarc is a corporation organized pursuant to the laws of the state of Vermont with its principal place of business in the State of Virginia.
- 14. Defendant, LawyerCare is an improperly pled defendant. LawyerCare is not a separately incorporated independent entity, but is the registered trade name for lawyers' professional liability insurance policies underwritten by Medmarc. Accordingly, LawyerCare is not independently subject to suit.

B. The Amount-In-Controversy Requirement Is Satisfied

- 15. The underlying Malpractice Action, for which Plaintiff seeks defense and indemnity in the DJ Action from Medmarc, alleges in part, that underlying Plaintiffs, "have suffered damages in excess of \$172,725.50 as a direct and proximate result of [Siciliano's] incompetent, deficient and negligent provision of legal services, which resulted in Wagner's dismissal with prejudice from the underlying action." <u>See</u>, Exhibit C at ¶44.
- 16. Count One of the Malpractice Action seeks "damages in an amount in excess of \$172,725.50, together with interest, costs of suit, attorneys' fees, and such other and further relied as the Court may deem just, equitable and proper." See, Exhibit C, page 12.
- 17. The DJ Action alleges that Medmarc's decision "to refuse to defend and indemnify it in the Malpractice Action is an error based upon an incorrect interpretation of the facts and/or application of the law." See, Exhibit A at ¶19.
- 18. The DJ Action further alleges that "Defendants are required to defend and further indemnify Plaintiffs" in connection with the Malpractice Action. See, Exhibit A, page 6.

19. Based upon the allegations in the Complaint in this matter, and the underlying

Malpractice Action for which Plaintiff seeks indemnity under the Medmarc Policy, the amount in

controversy in this matter will exceed the sum or value of \$75,000, exclusive of interest and

costs.

WHEREFORE, Defendant prays that, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Sections 1332, 1441, and

1446, the above-captioned matter, now pending against it in the Superior Court of New Jersey,

Law Division, Camden County, be removed therefrom to the United States District Court for the

District of New Jersey.

Respectfully submitted,

COUGHLIN MIDLIGE & GARLAND LLP

Attorneys for Defendant,

Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company

and improperly named entity "LawyerCare"

By:

/s/ Suzanne C. Midlige

Suzanne C. Midlige (SM-0818)

Dated: April 26, 2021

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EXHIBIT A

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC

Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire (NJ Bar ID# 027561992) 16 South Haddon Avenue Haddonfield, New Jersey 08033 (856) 795-0500 Fax (856) 795-5515

Attorney for Plaintiff, SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.,

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION – CAMDEN COUNTY

Plaintiff,

DOCKET NO.

VS.

CIVIL ACTION

MEDMARC CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, LAWYERCARE

Defendants.

DECLARATORY JUDGMENT

Plaintiff, Siciliano & Associates, L.L.C., with a professional office address at 16 South Haddon Avenue, Haddonfield, New Jersey, 08033, states the following by way of Complaint for Declaratory Judgment against Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company (hereinafter "Medmarc") located at 4795 Meadow Wood Lane Suite 335 West Chantilly, VA 20151, and LawyerCare located at 2600 Professionals Drive Okemos, MI 48864 as follows:

FACTS

On July 11, 2017, Siciliano & Associates, L.L.C. (hereinafter "Plaintiff") filed a
 Complaint on behalf of its clients Brian and Barbara Collins (hereinafter "Collins") against

PJW Services, LLC a/k/a P.J. Ward and Sons (hereinafter "P.J. Ward"); and Thomas B. Wagner, Architect, and Thomas B. Wagner (hereinafter "Wagner"), individually, alleging breach of contract amongst other Counts arising of out of the remodeling of an existing garage, and the construction of new garage at property owned by Collins and located at 19 Upland Way, Haddonfield, NJ 08033, styled as *Collins v. P.J. Ward, Wagner* bearing Docket No. CAM-L-2766-17. Please see Complaint attached hereto as **Exhibit "A."**

- 2. On August 17, 2017, Plaintiff filed a First Amended Complaint against P.J. Ward and Wagner alleging negligent construction and architectural services arising out of the subject remodeling. Please see Amended Complaint attached hereto as **Exhibit "B."**
- 3. On February 6, 2019, the Court dismissed the Complaint together with any and all cross-claims against Wagner with prejudice. Please see the Order attached hereto as **Exhibit** "C."
- 4. On May 6, 2019, the law firm of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A. (hereinafter "Wilentz") substituted in as counsel for the Collins. Please see Substitution of Counsel attached hereto as **Exhibit "D."**
- On October 31, 2019, judgment was taken against P.J. Ward in the amount of \$143,725.50. Please see Order of Judgment by Stipulation attached hereto as Exhibit "E."

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- 6. On December 10, 2019, Collins filed a Notice of Appeal regarding the February 6, 2019 Court order dismissing Wagner with prejudice bearing Docket No. A-001437-19, which is currently pending. Please see Notice of Appeal attached hereto as **Exhibit "F."**
- 7. On April 7, 2020, Collins filed a legal malpractice claim against Plaintiff styled Collins v. Siciliano & Associates, LLC and Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire bearing Docket No. CAM-L-1342-20. Please see Complaint attached hereto as **Exhibit "G."**
- 8. On December 10, 2020, Plaintiff filed a Verified Complaint against the Collins seeking payment of their outstanding legal services bill in the amount of \$29,831.17 styled *Siciliano & Associates, LLC v. Brian Collins and Barbara Collins* bearing Docket No. CAM-L-4053-20. Please see Complaint attached hereto as **Exhibit "H."**
- Plaintiff Siciliano & Associates, LLC is an active New Jersey Limited Liability
 Company formed in December 2005 for the purpose of legal services.
- 10. Plaintiff is solely owned by attorney Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire who was admitted to the Bar for the State of New Jersey in 1992 and has been a practicing attorney within the jurisdiction of New Jersey for the last twenty-nine years.

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- 11. Plaintiff Siciliano & Associates, LLC has been insured for professional malpractice since December 2005 and, other than the Complaint filed on April 7, 2020, the company and Mr. Siciliano, individually, have never been a party to a lawsuit for malpractice.
- 12. Even more, Plaintiff had never noticed a professional malpractice carrier of any 'potential claim' up until April 15, 2020 when Plaintiff placed Defendants on notice of a potential claim by the Collins for legal malpractice.
- 13. Plaintiff has been insured by Defendants for professional liability since December 22, 2018. Please see Insurance Policy attached hereto as **Exhibit "I."**
- 14. Plaintiff was insured by Defendants for the Policy Periods from December 22, 2018 to December 22, 2019 and December 22, 2019 to December 22, 2020 under Medmarc Policy No. 19MCNJ001148 (the "Medmarc Policy"). Please see December 22, 2018- December 22, 2019 Insurance Policy attached hereto as **Exhibit "I."** Please see December 22, 2019- December 22, 2020 Insurance Policy attached hereto as **Exhibit "J."**
- 15. By letter dated January 12, 2021, Defendants denied professional liability coverage under the Medmarc Policy for the legal malpractice action filed by Collins against Plaintiff bearing Docket No. CAM-L-1342-20. Please see Letter attached hereto as **Exhibit "K."**

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16. Defendants denied coverage pursuant to Section 2.1.1 of the Medmarc Policy alleging that Plaintiff was "[a]ware of facts that reasonably could have been expected to result in a malpractice claim prior to the policy effective date of the Medmarc Policy – December 22, 2019." Please see Page 2 of Letter attached hereto as **Exhibit "K."**

COUNT I

Declaratory Judgment

- 17. Plaintiff has made repeated demands to Defendants for defense and indemnity in the malpractice action styled Brian Collins and Barbara Collins v. Siciliano & Associates, LLC bearing Docket No. CAM-L-1342-20 (the "malpractice action").
 - 18. Plaintiff's demands for defense and indemnity have been refused by Defendants.
- 19. Plaintiff avers that Defendants' decision to refuse to defend and indemnify it in the malpractice action is an error based upon an incorrect interpretation of the facts and/or application of the law.
- 20. This Honorable Court has general subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to New Jersey's Declaratory Judgments Act codified at N.J. Stat. Ann. § 2A:16-50 to -62 to determine questions of actual controversy between the parties to this action as more fully set forth herein.

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WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, demands judgment against Defendants Medmarc Casualty
Insurance Company and LawyerCare as follows:

- a. Plaintiff is fully insured for the acts and allegations contained in the
 malpractice action pursuant to the policies of insurance issued by Defendants;
- b. Defendants are required to defend and further indemnify Plaintiffs in connection with the above-referenced suits;
- c. For damages, interest, attorney's fees, costs of suits and such other relief as the court may deem just and equitable.

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff, SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, L.L.C., hereby demands trial by jury of all issues triable under the applicable law.

NOTICE PURSUANT TO THE RULES

TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned attorney, counsel for Plaintiff, hereby demands, pursuant to R. 1:5-1(a) and R. 4:17-4(c), that each party herein serving pleadings and interrogatories and receiving answers thereto, serve copies of all such pleadings and answers to interrogatories received from any party upon the undersigned attorney and TAKE NOTICE that this is a continuing demand.

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DESIGNATION OF TRIAL COUNSEL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to <u>R.</u> 4:25-4, SALVATORE J. SICILIANO, ESQUIRE is hereby designated as trial counsel on behalf of the law offices of Siciliano & Associates, L.L.C. for the Plaintiff in the within action.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO R. 4:5-1

Pursuant to R. 4:5-1, I certify that the matter at issue is not the subject of any other pending action or arbitration other than Brian Collins, et als v. PJW Services, LLC, et als.,

Docket No. CAM-L-2766-17 (on appeal Docket No. A-001437-19); Brian Collins, et als v.

Siciliano & Associates, LLC, et als, Docket No. CAM-L-1342-20; and Siciliano &

Associates, LLC v. Brian Collins, et als, Docket No. CAM-L-4053-29. All parties known to the Plaintiff have been joined in the within action. I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.

By:

Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire Counsel for Plaintiff, Siciliano & Associates, LLC

Dated: March 30, 2021

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EXHIBIT B



LAW OFFICES

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC

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March 31, 2021

Via Certified Mail/R.R.R. & Regular Mail

Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company 4795 Meadow Wood Lane Suite 335 West Chantilly, VA 20151

Via Certified Mail/ R.R.R & Regular Mail

Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company 2600 Professionals Drive Okemos, MI 48864

RE: Siciliano & Associates, LLC.

VS.

Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company, Lawyercare DOCKET #: CAM-L-000938-21

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please be advised that our office represents Plaintiff, Siciliano & Associates, LLC., reagrding to the above referenced litigation matter.

Enclosed please find a Summons and Complaint. Per the Court Rules, you or your attorney must file a written Answer within thirty-five (35) days from the date you received this Summons.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Siciliano & Associates, LLC. vs. Medmarc Casualty Insurance DOCKET #: CAM-L-000938-21 March 31, 2021 Page 2

In closing, I remain,

Very truly yours,

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC

By: Lyann Cruz

Lyann Cruz, Legal Assistant adminassist@sicilianolaw.com

Enclosures

SUMMONS

Superior Court of	
— Superior Court of	
New Jersey	
Camden County	
<u>Civil</u> Division	
Docket No: CAM-L-000983-21	
CIVIL ACTION SUMMONS	
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From The State of New Jersey To The Defendant(s) Named Above:

The plaintiff, named above, has filed a lawsuit against you in the Superior Court of New Jersey. The complaint attached to this summons states the basis for this lawsuit. If you dispute this complaint, you or your attorney must file a written answer or motion and proof of service with the deputy clerk of the Superior Court in the county listed above within 35 days from the date you received this summons, not counting the date you received it. (A directory of the addresses of each deputy clerk of the Superior Court is available in the Civil Division Management Office in the county listed above and online at http://www.njcourts.gov/forms/10153_deptyclerklawref.pdf.) If the complaint is one in foreclosure, then you must file your written answer or motion and proof of service with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, P.O. Box 971, Trenton, NJ 08625-0971. A filing fee payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey and a completed Case Information Statement (available from the deputy clerk of the Superior Court) must accompany your answer or motion when it is filed. You must also send a copy of your answer or motion to plaintiff's attorney whose name and address appear above, or to plaintiff, if no attorney is named above. A telephone call will not protect your rights, you must file and serve a written answer or motion (with fee of \$175.00 and completed Case Information Statement) if you want the court to hear your defense.

If you do not file and serve a written answer or motion within 35 days, the court may enter a judgment against you for the relief plaintiff demands, plus interest and costs of suit. If judgment is entered against you, the Sheriff may seize your money, wages or property to pay all or part of the judgment.

If you cannot afford an attorney, you may call the Legal Services office in the county where you live or the Legal Services of New Jersey Statewide Hotline at 1-888-LSNJ-LAW (1-888-576-5529). If you do not have an attorney and are not eligible for free legal assistance, you may obtain a referral to an attorney by calling one of the Lawyer Referral Services. A directory with contact information for local Legal Services Offices and Lawyer Referral Services is available in the Civil Division Management Office in the county listed above and online at

http://www.njcourts.gov/forms/10153_deptyclerklawref.pdf.

DATED. 03/31/2021	_
Name of Defendant to Be Serv	ed: Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company
Address of Defendant to Be Se	erved: 4795 Meadow Wood Lane Suite 335, West Chantilly, VA 20151

DATED: 03/31/2021

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SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.

Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire

Counsel for Plaintiff, Siciliano & Associates, LLC

Dated: March 30, 2021

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EXHIBIT C

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Brian and Barbara Collins

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION
CAMDEN COUNTY
DOCKET NO. CAM-L-

BRIAN COLLINS AND BARBARA
COLLINS, Husband and Wife,

Plaintiffs,

Civil Action

V. COMPLAINT AND JURY DEMAND

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC AND SALVATORE J. SICILIANO, ESQUIRE,

cs.

Defendants. :

Plaintiffs, Brian and Barbara Collins, by way of Complaint against Defendants, Siciliano & Associates, LLC and Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire, state and allege as follows:

THE PARTIES

1. Plaintiffs, Brian and Barbara Collins, husband and wife, are individuals, citizens of the State of New Jersey, and

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owners of a residential property located at 19 Upland Way, Haddonfield, NJ (the "Property").

- 2. Upon information and belief, Defendant, Siciliano & Associates, LLC (the "Law Firm"), is a limited liability company incorporated under the law of the State of New Jersey, which is engaged in the practice of law and has a business address and principal place of business located at 16 South Haddon Avenue, Haddonfield, NJ.
- 3. Upon information and belief, Defendant, Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire ("Siciliano"), is an individual, a citizen of the State of New Jersey, an attorney duly licensed to practice law in the State of New Jersey, and the principal and/or owner of Defendant, Siciliano & Associates, LLC.
- 4. The Law Firm and Siciliano are referred to collectively herein as "Defendants."

FACTS COMMON TO ALL COUNTS

A. The Underlying Litigation

5. In or about January 2010, Plaintiffs contracted with Thomas B. Wagner Architect and its principal, Thomas B. Wagner ("Wagner"), to provide architectural services in connection with Plaintiffs' home renovation project, which included the construction of a new two-car garage, on top of which a rooftop deck and entertaining area was to be constructed.

- 6. At Wagner's recommendation, Plaintiffs agreed to have the construction performed by PJW Services, LLC a/k/a P.J. Ward and Sons ("PJW") in accordance with Wagner's architectural drawings.
- 7. Construction of Plaintiffs' home renovation project commenced in or about October 21, 2010.
- 8. During the construction, Plaintiffs observed some water intrusion in their newly constructed two-car garage, which they were advised was normal and would cease once construction was substantially completed.
- 9. Construction was substantially completed in or about May 17, 2011.
- 10. Pursuant to their respective agreements, Plaintiffs compensated Wagner approximately \$13,387.00 for architectural services and PJW approximately \$234,000.00 for construction services, paying \$247,387.00 in total.
- 11. To Plaintiffs' dismay, in or about March 2014,
 Plaintiffs observed water intrusion in their newly constructed
 two-car garage, which became more pronounced in the following
 weeks.
- 12. After PJW failed to respond to Plaintiffs' request for repair, Plaintiffs retained another contractor to fix the problem.

- 13. However, the water intrusion re-emerged in the spring of 2016.
- 14. After PJW again refused to make repairs, Plaintiffs sought legal assistance from Defendants.

B. Defendants' Representation of Plaintiffs

- Defendants to prosecute an action against Wagner and PJW for their deficient and negligent provision of architectural and construction services. A true and correct copy of the Agreement to Provide Legal Services (the "Agreement") executed by the parties is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."
- 16. Pursuant to the Agreement, Plaintiffs agreed to pay Defendants \$350.00 per hour for legal services, along with fees and costs of litigation. See id. at p.2.
- 17. In exchange for the aforesaid compensation, Defendants agreed to promptly pursue the Plaintiffs' legal claims against Wagner and PJW providing "conscientious, competent and diligent services" and was to "seek to achieve solutions which are just and reasonable for [Plaintiffs]." See id. at p.3.
- 18. However, Defendants did not institute Plaintiffs' action against Wagner and PJW in any court of competent jurisdiction in the State of New Jersey, or any other state, until ten (10) months after having been retained.

- 19. On or about July 11, 2017, Defendants filed a Complaint in the New Jersey Superior Court, Law Division, Camden County captioned Brian and Barbara Collins v. PJW Services, LLC a/k/a P.J. Ward and Sons, Thomas B. Wagner Architect, and Thomas B. Wagner, Docket No. L-2766-17, asserting claims for violations of the Consumer Fraud Act, breach of contract and breach of express warranty. A true and correct copy of the Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit "B."
- 20. On August 17, 2017, Defendants filed a First Amended Complaint against Wagner and PJW, in which they added a negligence claim against each defendant. A true and correct copy of the First Amended Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit "C."
- 21. In both the initial Complaint and the First Amended Complaint, Defendants averred: "Beginning on or about December 12, 2010, due to a deficient design and/or construction defect, water did not properly drain from the roof causing puddles of water to collect on the roof and/or water intrusion. Moreover, the deficient drainage system caused a significant growth of mold." See Exh. "B" and Exh. "C" at para. 14.
- 22. In the First Amended Complaint, Defendants also averred that Wagner failed "to act pursuant to the terms of the

contract and in a reasonable professional manner[sic][.]" See Exh. "C" at para. 32.

- 23. Defendants did not recommend that Plaintiffs' property be inspected by an architectural expert at any time before filing either the initial Complaint or First Amended Complaint.
- 24. The Defendants did not, within 120 days of Wagner's filing of an Answer to the First Amended Complaint or at any time thereafter, serve or even attempt to serve an affidavit of merit ("AOM") from a licensed architect in support of Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner.
- 25. On January 31, 2018, Wagner filed a motion to dismiss Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner based on Defendants' failure to file an AOM in support of Plaintiffs' claims within the statutorily prescribed period under N.J.S.A. 2A:53A-27.
- 26. Defendants, despite having expressly pleaded -- twice -- that Plaintiffs' damages resulted from a "deficient design and/or construction defect," defended the motion claiming that an AOM was not required because Plaintiffs' theory of liability against Wagner was not for professional malpractice, but general negligence.
- 27. Following a hearing on Wagner's motion to dismiss, the Court ordered discovery regarding the need for an AOM.

- 28. Defendants did not arrange for an expert architectural inspection until April 2018, and then, only after they were essentially required to do so by Court order.
- 29. When Architect James Rappoport, AIA, NCARB inspected Plaintiffs' property, he confirmed that Wagner had -- in fact -- been professionally negligent.
- 30. Faced with the realization that Defendants had unjustifiably, negligently and incompetently failed to conduct an inspection and provide an AOM in support of Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner, Defendants abruptly reversed their prior position and requested leave to file a Second Amended Complaint "adding" a claim for professional negligence against Wagner.
- 31. Defendants further erred when they filed a motion for leave to amend on Plaintiffs' behalf but then failed to attach a proposed Second Amended Complaint and supporting AOM, requiring additional filings, and expense, to correct the error. A true and correct copy of the trial court docket is attached hereto as Exhibit "D."
- 32. Wagner opposed the motion for leave to amend and again moved to dismissed Plaintiffs' claims, again based on Defendants' failure to timely support the professional negligence claims with an AOM.

- 33. During a hearing on the motion for leave to amend and Wagner's cross-motion to dismiss, Wagner argued that even if Defendants' failure to file an AOM did not require dismissal, their failure to file the Complaint within the applicable six-year limitations period did.
- 34. Following this hearing, the Court ordered additional discovery and a subsequent <u>Lopez</u> hearing to determine the date on which Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner had accrued.
- 35. During the discovery period, Defendants prepared answers to requests for admissions on Plaintiffs' behalf, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "E," in which Defendants admit, unequivocally, that:
- did not properly drain from the roof." (para. 6).
- b) Defendants did not file their complaint on Plaintiffs' behalf until July 11, 2017. (para. 4).
- c) Plaintiffs were represented by Defendants prior to December 12, 2016. (para. 9-10).
- d) Defendants did not have an architectural expert investigate Plaintiffs' claims until April 2018. (para. 17).
- 36. At the conclusion of the <u>Lopez</u> hearing, the trial court dismissed Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner in their

entirety, with prejudice, as barred by the applicable six-year statute of limitations.

- 37. Defendant Siciliano admitted to incompetent, deficient and negligent provision of legal services during the series of hearings held by the Court, stating on the record: "I'll admit to poor drafting."
- 38. Plaintiffs compensated Defendants and the experts recommended by Defendants more than \$29,000.00 in the pursuit of Plaintiffs' meritorious claims against Wagner.
- 39. Plaintiffs' meritorious claims against Wagner were dismissed on procedural grounds as a direct and proximate result of Defendants' incompetent, deficient and negligent provision of legal services.
- 40. Following Wagner's dismissal, Plaintiffs retained new counsel and obtained a judgment in the amount of \$143,725.50 against PJW.
- 41. However, despite diligent efforts to enforce the judgment, Plaintiffs have been unable to collect any portion of the sums due and owing from PJW on the judgment, due in part to the fact that PJW -- the contractor recommended by Wagner -- was uninsured.
- 42. Wagner, unlike PJW, is and was at all relevant times insured.

- 43. If Defendants had not been incompetent, deficient and negligent in their provision of legal services, Plaintiffs would have recovered the full amount of damages owed to them on the underlying meritorious claims against Wagner.
- 44. Plaintiffs have suffered damages in excess of \$172,725.50 as a direct and proximate result of Defendants' incompetent, deficient and negligent provision of legal services, which resulted in Wagner's dismissal with prejudice from the underlying action.

COUNT I (Legal Malpractice Against Defendants)

- 45. Plaintiffs repeat and re-allege all of the foregoing allegations as if fully set forth herein.
- 46. Defendants had an attorney-client relationship with Plaintiffs.
- 47. As such, Defendants owed a duty of care to Plaintiffs that included exercising the requisite level of professional care in pursuing Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner.
- 48. Defendants breached the duty of care they owed to Plaintiffs by, among other things:
- a) failing to timely advise Plaintiffs that an architectural inspection of their property was required;

- b) failing to recognize that the nature of the claims asserted against Wagner in the underlying lawsuit required the filing of an Affidavit of Merit pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2A:53A-27 et seq.;
- c) failing to timely file an Affidavit of Merit in support of Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner;
- d) failing to recognize the six-year statute of limitations applicable to Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner;
- e) failing to contact Wagner regarding Plaintiffs' claims until February 2017;
- f) failing to recognize the accrual date of Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner;
- g) failing to commence litigation against Wagner until July 11, 2017; and
- h) drafting pleadings on Plaintiffs' behalf that did not meet the standard of skill and care that is standard in the legal profession.
- 49. Defendants' breach of duty, as stated in the preceding paragraphs, directly and proximately caused Plaintiffs to suffer damages in excess \$172,725.50 as a result of the failed litigation against Wagner.
- 50. Plaintiffs' damages did not result from any negligent or wrongful conduct of Plaintiffs.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, Brian and Barbara Collins, respectfully request damages against Defendants in an amount in excess of \$172,725.50, together with interest, costs of suit, attorneys' fees, and such other and further relief as the Court may deem just, equitable and proper.

COUNT II (Breach of Contract Against Defendants)

- 51. Plaintiffs repeat and re-allege all of the foregoing allegations as if fully set forth herein.
- 52. Pursuant to the Legal Services Agreement, Plaintiffs compensated Defendants and the experts recommended by Defendants an amount in excess of \$29,000.00 to pursue claims against Wagner.
- 53. Pursuant to the Legal Services Agreement, Defendants were required to promptly pursue Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner and PJW; they agreed to "begin work on [their] case upon receipt of a retainer," which they agreed to waive.
- 54. Pursuant to the Legal Services Agreement, Defendants were required to provide "conscientious, competent and diligent services" in pursuit of Plaintiffs' legal claims against Wagner.
- 55. Pursuant to the Legal Services Agreement, Plaintiffs were further required to "seek to achieve solutions which are just and reasonable for [Plaintiffs]." See Exh. "A" at p.3.

- 56. Defendants breached their obligations to Plaintiffs under the Legal Services Agreement by, among other things:
- a) failing to timely advise Plaintiffs that an architectural inspection of their property was required;
- b) failing to recognize that the nature of the claims asserted against Wagner in the underlying lawsuit required the filing of an Affidavit of Merit pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2A:53A-27 et seq.;
- c) failing to timely file an Affidavit of Merit in support of Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner;
- d) failing to recognize the six-year statute of limitations applicable to Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner;
- e) failing to contact Wagner regarding Plaintiffs' claims until February 2017;
- f) failing to recognize the accrual date of Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner;
- g) failing to commence litigation against Wagner until July 11, 2017; and
- h) drafting pleadings on Plaintiffs' behalf which did not meet the standard of skill and care which is standard in the legal profession.
- 57. Defendants' breach of the Legal Services Agreement, as stated in the preceding paragraphs, directly and proximately

caused Plaintiffs to suffer damages in excess \$172,725.50 as a result of the dismissal of Plaintiffs' claims against Wagner.

58. Plaintiffs' damages did not result from any breach or wrongful conduct of Plaintiffs.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, Brian and Barbara Collins, respectfully request damages against Defendants in an amount in excess of \$172,725.50, together with interest, costs of suit, attorneys' fees, and such other and further relief as the Court may deem just, equitable and proper.

WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & SPITZER, P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiffs

By:

Dated: April 7, 2020

DANIEL J/ KLUSKA

DESIGNATION OF TRIAL COUNSEL

Pursuant to Rule 4:25-4, Daniel J. Kluska, Esq. is hereby designated as trial counsel in the above matter for Plaintiffs Brian Collins and Barbara Collins.

WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & SPITZER, P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiffs

KLUSKA

By:

Dated: April 7, 2020

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiffs, Brian and Barbara Collins, demand trial by jury on all of the triable issues set forth in this Complaint pursuant to R. 1:8-2(b) and 4:35-1(a).

WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & SPITZER, P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiffs

DANIEL J. KLUSKA

Bv:

Dated: April 7, 2020

DEMAND FOR DISCOVERY OF INSURANCE COVERAGE

Pursuant to R. 4:10-2(b), demand is made that Defendants disclose to Plaintiffs' attorney whether or not there are any insurance agreements or policies under which any person or firm carrying on an insurance business may be liable to satisfy part or all of a judgment which may be entered in this action or indemnify or reimburse for payments made to satisfy the judgment and provide Plaintiffs' attorney with true copies of those insurance agreements or policies, including, but not limited to, any and all declaration sheets. This demand shall include and cover not only primary coverage, but also any and all excess, catastrophe, and umbrella polices.

WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & SPITZER, P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiffs

Bv:

Dated: April 7, 2020

DANIEL J. KLUSKA

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 4:5-1

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, that the matter in controversy herein is not the subject of any other proceeding pending in any court or any pending arbitration proceeding, that no other action or arbitration is contemplated, and that I am aware of no other party that should be joined in this action.

WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & SPITZER, P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiffs

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Dated: April 7, 2020

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Exhibit "A"

AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES (Hourly/Retainer Waived)

LAW FIRM:	SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC Attorneys at Law 16 S. Haddon Avenue Haddonfield, NJ 08033				
CLIENT:	Brian and B Address:	arbara Collins 19 Upland Way Haddonfield, NJ 08033 SSN: D/B: Email: Phone:			
Matter of Represen	tation:	Collins v. PJ Ward & Sons, PJ Ward, Individually and Thomas B. Wagner, Architect			
1. <u>Legal Service</u> the following matter:	es to be Provid	ed: You agree that the Law Firm will represent you in			
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By signing the Hourly Agreement to Provide Legal Services, you agree to strictly abide by the terms of the Agreement. If you do not abide by the terms of the Agreement by failing to replenish your retainer, our law firm will immediately stop working on your case. If this occurs, you fully understand and have given your consent, to our law office, to be relieved as counsel and for our office to make an application to the Court to be relieved as counsel of record with the court. You also fully understand that a payment made pursuant to the payment plan will be forfeited.

b. Hourly Rate. You agree to pay the Law Firm for legal services at the following rates:

Rate Per Hour	for Services of:
\$350.00	Senior Attorney
\$250.00	Junior Attorney
\$125.00	Senior Paralegal
\$100.00	Junior Paralegal
\$110.00	Law Clerk(s)

If several timekeepers devote time to or confer concerning your file, each time keeper will bill for his respective services.

These rates are subject to revision from time to time in the normal course of business, and you agree to pay those revised rates for services rendered after the effective day of the rate change.

- c. All Services Will Be Billed. You will be billed at the hourly rates set forth in paragraph 3B for all services rendered. This includes all travel time, telephone calls (minimum charge of 12 minutes) dictating and reviewing letters, legal research, negotiations and other service relating to this matter. All services are billed at a minimum of 12 minutes.
- 4. <u>Costs and Expenses.</u> In addition to legal fees, you must pay the following costs and expenses:

Experts' fees, court costs, accountants' fees, appraisers' fees, service fees, investigator fees deposition costs, messenger services, photocopying charges (photocopy @ \$.25 per page), telephone toll calls, postage and other necessary expenses in this matter. The Law Firm may require that expert(s) be retained directly by you. You would then be solely responsible to pay the expert(s).

5. <u>Bills.</u> The Law Firm will send you itemized bills from time to time. You should read all statements sent to you very carefully. If you have any questions or believe there is an error, or object to the billing statement, you must notify the Law Firm within fourteen (14) days from the date of the statement. If no such notice is received, it is understood that the billing statement is accepted as correct, accurate and fair. You will be charged interest at a yearly rate of 18% on any remaining balance not paid within 30 days from the date of the bill.

The Law Firm may require that costs and expenses be paid in advance. All other bills for costs and legal services are due upon receipt.

If you do not pay your bill on time, the Law Firm shall be free to withdraw as your lawyer.

- 6. Your Responsibility. You must fully cooperate with the Law Firm and provide all information relevant to the issues involved in this matter. You must also pay bills as required by this Agreement. If you do not comply with these requirements, the Law Firm may withdraw from representing you. The Law Firm will also withdraw at your request. In either event you are still required to satisfy your obligation under this Agreement.
- 7. <u>No Guarantee.</u> The Law Firm agrees to provide conscientious, competent and diligent services and at all times will seek to achieve solutions which are just and reasonable for you. However, because of the uncertainty of legal proceedings, because of legal interpretation and changes in the law and many unknown factors, the Law Firm cannot and does not warrant, predict or guarantee results.
- 8. <u>Court Awarded Fees.</u> In some instances, the Court will order another person to pay all or a portion of your fees and costs. Court awarded fees and costs are, however, not predictable; therefore you are responsible for payment of the total fees and costs. Amounts received pursuant to a Court Order, when collected by the law Firm, will be credited to your account. The Court award of fees and costs, if any, will not set or limit your liability to the Law Firm for fees or costs charged pursuant to this Agreement. If the Law Firm is required to collect any fees and costs awarded by taking collection actions, you agree to pay for those services under the terms of this Agreement.
- 9. <u>Signatures.</u> You and the Law Firm have read and agree to this Agreement. The Law Firm has answered all your questions and fully explained this Agreement to your complete satisfaction. You have been given a copy of this Agreement.

By: Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire

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Exhibit "B"



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July 11, 2017

Via Courthouse Courier Hand Delivery Only:

Clerk, Law Division
CAMDEN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
101 S. 5th Street
Camden, NJ 08103

Re: Brian Collins and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife v. PJW Services, LLC, a/k/a P.J. Ward and Sons; Thomas B. Wagner, Architect; and Thomas B. Wagner, Individually and as Representative of Thomas B. Wagner Architect Plaintiff's Complaint

Dear Sir/Madam:

This firm represents the Plaintiff, Brian Collins and Barbara Collins, in the above-captioned matter.

Enclosed please find for filing an original and two (2) copies of the following pleadings:

- 1. CIS Statement; and
- 2. Plaintiff's Complaint

Kindly file the original and return a "filed," date-stamped copy to this office in the self-addressed stamped envelope. Please charge this firm's Collateral Account #142712, two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) for the filing fee. Please feel free to contact our office should you have any questions.

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In closing, I remain,

Very truly yours,

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC

By:

Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire

SJS/tmm

Enclosures

cc:

Client (via regular mail only)

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BRIAN COLLINS and BARBARA COLLINS, Husband and Wife

Plaintiffs,

VS.

PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; THOMAS B. WAGNER ARCHITECT; and THOMAS B. WAGNER, individually, and as a representative of Thomas B. Wagner Architect.

Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION – CAMDEN COUNTY

Docket No.

CIVIL ACTION

COMPLAINT and JURY TRIAL DEMAND

Plaintiffs, BRIAN COLLINS AND BARBARA COLLINS, residing at 19 Upland Way, Borough of Haddonfield, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey, by way of Complaint against the Defendants say:

PARTIES

- Plaintiffs, Brian Collins and Barbara Collins (hereinafter "Plaintiffs"), husband and wife and owners of a residential property located at 19 Upland Way, Borough of Haddonfield, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey (hereinafter "the Property").
- 2. Defendant, PJW Services, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. Ward and Sons (hereinafter

"Defendant PJW"), is a home remodeling contractor with a principal place of business located at 332 Haddon Avenue, 2nd Floor, Township of Haddon (Westmont), County of Camden and State of New Jersey.

- Defendant Thomas B. Wagner Architect, LLC (hereinafter "T.W. Wagner") is an architectural firm with a principal business address of P.O. Box 2071, Borough of Haddonfield, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey.
- 4. Defendant Thomas B. Wagner (hereinafter "Defendant Wagner") is an individual and the owner of Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect.

FACTS

- On January 4, 2010, Plaintiffs and Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect entered into an Agreement for architectural services for home improvement work on the Property.
- 6. The Agreement provided for the conversion of the existing attached garage into a kitchen and family room space; the construction of a new attached two-car garage; the construction of a second story addition over the existing garage; and second floor deck over the new two-story garage on the Property.
- 7. Additionally, the Resolution of the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Borough of Haddonfield Granting Variance Approval to Brian and Barbara Collins, shows how the subdivision was in three phases, detailing how the architectural services

were to be completed.

- 7. Phase Three of the Agreement is an optional provision titled "Construction Administration," which states that Defendant Wagner "will act as your agent to oversee the contractors' performance, monitor the progress of work, respond to questions from contractors, inspectors, and building code officials. We will be present on the jobsite as required to ensure the work is done in conformance to the contract documents."
- 8. Additionally, Phase Three promises to "either bid the project to several builders or contract with a builder early on in the process who will provide estimates for construction based on the schemes we propose."
- Plaintiffs accepted Phase Three of the Agreement and paid Defendant Wagner, for additional services that he would be providing.
- 10. On or about August 5, 2010, Plaintiffs accepted a proposed contract submitted by Defendant PJW, to perform the construction work on the Property for a total sum of "one hundred and ninety five thousand four hundred dollars (\$195,400.00)."
- 11. The pricing was based and "in accordance with drawings per Thomas Wagner Architect."
- 12. Construction commenced on or about October of 2010.

- 13. However, shortly thereafter, Plaintiffs experienced multiple issues associated with the work performed by all Defendants.
- 14. Beginning on or about December 12, 2010, due to a deficient design and/ or construction defect, water did not properly drain from the roof causing puddles of water to collect on the roof and/ or water intrusion. Moreover, the deficient drainage system caused a significant growth of mold.
- 15. Defendant PJW did not use the building material described in the plans during construction. In particular, the sheet rubber roof material listed in the plans has a useful life of forty to fifty years; whereas the material actually used by Defendant PJW has a useful life of ten to fifteen years.
- 15. Plaintiffs initially notified Defendant PJW on or about December 12, 2010, again in the spring of 2011, and then a third time by telephone in the spring of 2014. Plaintiff notified Defendant a fourth and final time by way of letter dated August 28, 2016, advising of the leaking roof and need for mold remediation in the garage.
- 16. After the first signs of mold damage emerged in 2014, Plaintiffs notified Defendant PJW. However, Defendant PJW was unresponsive and failed to schedule an appointment to visit the Property to assess the damage.
- 17. Plaintiffs contacted another company to access and estimate the repairs needed for

the defective construction and to possibly complete and repair the defective construction. Plaintiffs notified Defendant PJW of the proposal to repair the defective construction by way of letter dated October 7, 2016.

- 18. The remedial work included the "removal of the existing composite decking, removal of existing roof membrane, removal of two (2) walls of screen porch access and the installation of new waterproofing, the installation of new fiberglass surface for waterproofing, installation of drainage holes on the same side of the garage, reparation of drywall and insulation of drywall in the garage, installation of decking on the screen porch only and installation of screen walls as required. Additional work will include removal of the garage door and garage door opener, the removal of damaged drywall, removal and installation of a new five (5) floor joist, mold remediation and installation of new drywall. Finally, the repaired areas will be painted as required."
- 19. Furthermore, Plaintiffs contacted Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect regarding the defective construction. Defendant Wagner responded by way of electronic correspondence on February 25, 2017 that he did "not know how the roofing was installed and how it was lapped and the location of the seams," despite the fact that he agreed to act as Plaintiffs' agent and be present during construction under the Agreement for Architectural services.

- 20. Plaintiffs continued to negotiate with Defendant PJW to agree upon a proposal to repair the damages caused by the construction, and, on March 27, 2017, Plaintiffs executed a new Agreement to complete the necessary repair work at the Property.
- 21. However, thereafter, Defendant PJW failed to contact Plaintiffs to schedule the work. Plaintiffs' counsel contacted Defendant PJW on April 18, 2017 by way of electronic correspondence to inquire as to when the work would be scheduled.
- 22. On May 8, 2017, Defendant PJW sent Plaintiffs' counsel an electronic correspondence stating that the project had been delayed due to rain and that it would continue to be delayed for "a couple weeks."
- 23. As of the filing of this Complaint, Defendants have failed to return any of the funds paid by Plaintiffs and have failed to perform any remedial work to repair the damages caused by the defective construction.
- 24. By failing to perform the agreed upon services, Defendants PJW breached the terms of the contracts entered into with Plaintiffs, thereby entitling Plaintiffs to all funds paid for Defendant PJW's incomplete work.

FIRST COUNT (VIOLATION OF CONSUMER FRAUD ACT N.J.S.A. § 56:8-2 – AFFIRAMTIVE ACT)

- 25. Plaintiffs incorporate paragraphs one through twenty-seven (1-27) as restated fully herein.
- 26. As a result of Defendant PJW's failure to use the agreed upon construction materials, failure to properly install decking resulting in torn/ damaged roofing materials, and failure to construct a proper drainage system on the newly constructed garage roof, Plaintiffs have suffered extensive damage to its Property. Accordingly, Plaintiff has been and will continue to be caused to expend large sums of money to repair the negligent construction completed by Defendant PJW.
- 27. Additionally, as a result of Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect and Defendant Wagner's failure to ensure proper construction as promised in the Agreement for Architectural Services, Plaintiff has suffered extensive damage to its Property. Accordingly, Plaintiff has been and will continue to be caused to expend large sums of money to repair damage.
- 28. Thus, the affirmative conduct of Defendant PJW, Defendant Thomas B.

Wagner, Architect, and Defendant Wagner constitutes a violation of N.J.S.A. § 56:8-2.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, Brian and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife, demands judgment against the Defendants, PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; THOMAS B. WAGNER ARCHITECT; and THOMAS B. WAGNER, individually, and as a

representative of Thomas B. Wagner Architect for:

- a) Compensatory Damages;
- b) Punitive Damages;
- c) Attorney's fees, Costs and Interests, and
- d) Any other relief this Court deems just and necessary.

SECOND COUNT (VIOLATION OF CONSUMER FRAUD ACT, N.J.S.A. § 56:8-2 – ACTS OF OMMISSION)

- 29. Plaintiffs incorporate paragraphs one through thirty one (1-31) as restated fully herein.
- 30. As a result of Defendant PJW's failure to use the agreed upon construction materials, failure to properly install decking resulting in torn/ damaged roofing materials, and failure to construct a proper drainage system on the newly constructed garage roof, Plaintiff has suffered extensive damage to its Property. Accordingly, Plaintiff has been and will continue to be caused to expend large sums of money to repair the negligent construction completed by Defendant PJW.
- 31. Additionally, as a result of Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect and Defendant Wagner's failure to ensure proper construction as promised in the Agreement for Architectural Services, Plaintiff has suffered extensive damage to its Property. Accordingly, Plaintiff has been and will continue to be caused to

- expend large sums of money to repair damage.
- 32. Thus, the failure of Defendants PJW, Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect, and Defendant Wagner to act pursuant to the terms of the contract and in a reasonable professional matter of Defendant constitutes a violation of N.J.S.A. § 56:8-2.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, Brian and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife, demands judgment against the Defendants, PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; THOMAS B. WAGNER ARCHITECT; and THOMAS B. WAGNER, individually, and as a representative of Thomas B. Wagner Architect for:

- a) Compensatory Damages;
- b) Punitive Damages;
- c) Attorney's fees, Costs and Interests, and
- d) Any other relief this Court deems just and necessary.

THIRD COUNT

(VIOLATION OF CONSUMER FRAUD ACT – N.J.S.A. § 56:8-2 – BY AND THROUGH DEFENDANTS' VIOLATIONS OF N.J.A.C. §§ 13:45A-16.2(a)(2)(iii); (a)(3)(iv); and (a)(7)(ii)

- 33. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one through thirty-five as restated fully herein.
- 34. Defendants' misrepresentations, unlawful substitution of contract specified products, and failure to begin and/or complete the work within time periods specified, constitute violations of "Home Improvement Practice" Regulations cited above, and therefore, are in violation of the Consumer Fraud Act.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, Brian and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife, demands judgment against the Defendants, PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; THOMAS B. WAGNER ARCHITECT; and THOMAS B. WAGNER, individually, and as a representative of Thomas B. Wagner Architect for:

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FOURTH COUNT (UNLAWFUL PRACTICES IN VIOLATION OF N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2(a)(2)(iii))

- 35. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one through thirty-one (1-35) as restated fully herein.
- 36. The conduct and/or omissions of Defendant PJW, Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect, and Defendant Wagner as aforesaid herein constitutes a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:45A-16.2 and N.J.A.C. 13:45A-16.2(a)(2)(iii).

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FIFTH COUNT (UNLAWFUL PRACTICES IN VIOLATION OF N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2(a)(3)(iv))

- 37. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one through thirty-nine (1-39) as restated fully herein.
- 38. The conduct and/or omissions of Defendants PJW Services, LLC, a/k/a/, P.J. Ward and Sons; Thomas B. Wagner Architect; and Thomas B. Wagner, as aforesaid herein constitutes a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2 and N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2(a)(3)(iv).

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SIXTH COUNT (UNLAWFUL PRACTICES IN VIOLATION OF N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2(a)(7)(ii))

- 39. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one through forty-one (1-41) as restated fully herein.
- 40. The conduct and/or omissions of Defendants PJW Services, LLC, a/k/a/, P.J. Ward and Sons; Thomas B. Wagner Architect; and Thomas B. Wagner as aforesaid herein constitutes a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2(a)(7)(ii).

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SEVENTH COUNT BREACH OF CONTRACT

- 41. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one though forty-three (1-43) as restated fully herein.
- 42. Defendant PJW's failure to properly install decking and to construct a proper drainage system on the roof of the newly constructed garage and its failure to use the materials specified in the agreement constitutes a breach of the contract it entered into with Plaintiffs.
- 43. Further, Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect's failure to ensure construction was

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- e) Such other relief that the Court may deem just and equitable.

EIGHTH COUNT BREACH OF EXPRESS WARRANTY

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- 46. Further, Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect's failure to ensure construction was completed in conformance with the agreement constitutes a breach of the contract entered into with Plaintiffs.

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Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire

Attorneys for Plaintiffs,

Brian Collins and Barbara Collins

Date:

July 11,2017

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiffs, BRIAN COLLINS and BARBARA COLLINS, hereby demands trial by jury of all issues triable under the applicable law.

NOTICE PURSUANT TO THE RULES

TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned attorney, counsel for the Plaintiff, hereby demands, pursuant to Rules 1:5-1(a) and 4:17-4 (c) that each party herein serving pleadings and interrogatories and receiving answers thereto, serve copies of all such pleadings and answers to interrogatories received from any party upon the undersigned attorney and TAKE NOTICE that this is a continuing demand.

DEMAND FOR DISCOVERY OF INSURANCE COVERAGE

Pursuant to Rule 4:10-2(b), demand is hereby made that you disclose to the undersigned whether there are any insurance agreements or policies under which any person or entity carrying on an insurance business may be liable to satisfy part or all of a judgment which may be entered in this action or to indemnify or reimburse for payments made to satisfy judgment.

If so, attach a copy of each policy or agreement, or in the alternative state, under oath or certification: (a) policy number (b) name and address of insurer or issuer; (c) inception and expiration dates; (d) names and addresses of all persons/entities covered; (e) personal injury limits; (f) property damage limits; and (g) medical payment limits.

DEMAND FOR ANSWERS TO INTERROGATORIES & SUPPLEMENTAL INTERROGATORIES

Plaintiff hereby requests that Defendants answer all questions in the Model

Questions for Contract and Debt Collection Cases Where the Demand Exceeds \$3,000 attached
for your convenience within the time provided in accordance with Rule 4:17-4, et seq. Plaintiff
hereby requests that Defendants answer all Supplemental Interrogatories #1-10 when provided.

Plaintiff further request that all parties supply copies of any and all answers to

Interrogatories that they have or will provide to other parties in this action. Please note that this
is a continuing request.

NOTICE OF UTILIZATION OF TIME UNIT METHOD OF CALCULATING DAMAGES

Be advised that pursuant to Rule 1:7(b), Plaintiff may utilize the time unit method for calculating damages at the time of trial.

DESIGNATION OF TRIAL COUNSEL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Rule 4:25-4 of the Rules of Civil Practice, SALVATORE J. SICILIANO, ESQUIRE is hereby designated as trial counsel on behalf of the law offices of Siciliano & Associates, LLC, attorney(s) for the Plaintiff in the within action.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 4:5-1

I hereby certify that I am not aware that the within action is the subject matter of any other action or arbitration proceeding. I am also unaware that any other action or arbitration

proceeding is contemplated. I further certify that I am not aware of any parties that should be joined in this action.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me is willfully false, I may be subject to punishment.

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By:

Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire

Attorneys for Plaintiff,

Brian Collins and Barbara Collins

Date:

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August 17, 2017

Via Courthouse Courier Hand Delivery Only:

Clerk, Law Division
CAMDEN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
101 S. 5th Street
Camden, NJ 08103

Re: Brian Collins and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife v. PJW Services, LLC, a/k/a P.J. Ward and Sons; Thomas B. Wagner, Architect; and Thomas B. Wagner, Individually and as Representative of Thomas B. Wagner Architect

Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint
Docket no. L-2766-17

Dear Sir/Madam:

This firm represents the Plaintiff, Brian Collins and Barbara Collins, in the above-captioned matter.

Enclosed please find for filing an original and two (2) copies of the following pleadings:

- 1. CIS Statement; and
- 2. Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint

Kindly file the original and return a "filed," date-stamped copy to this office in the self-addressed stamped envelope. Please charge this firm's Collateral Account #142712, two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) for the filing fee. Please feel free to contact our office should you have any questions.

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In closing, I remain,

Very truly yours,

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC

By:

Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire

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cc: Client (via regular mail only)

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BRIAN COLLINS and BARBARA COLLINS, Husband and Wife

Plaintiffs,

vs.

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Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION – CAMDEN COUNTY

Docket No. 1-2766-17

CIVIL ACTION

FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT and JURY TRIAL DEMAND

Plaintiffs, BRIAN COLLINS AND BARBARA COLLINS, residing at 19 Upland Way, Borough of Haddonfield, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey, by way of Complaint against the Defendants say:

PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiffs, Brian Collins and Barbara Collins (hereinafter "Plaintiffs"), husband and wife and owners of a residential property located at 19 Upland Way, Borough of Haddonfield, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey (hereinafter "the Property").
- 2. Defendant, PJW Services, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. Ward and Sons (hereinafter

"Defendant PJW"), is a home remodeling contractor with a principal place of business located at 332 Haddon Avenue, 2nd Floor, Township of Haddon (Westmont), County of Camden and State of New Jersey.

- Defendant Thomas B. Wagner Architect, LLC (hereinafter "T.W. Wagner") is an architectural firm with a principal business address of P.O. Box 2071, Borough of Haddonfield, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey.
- 4. Defendant Thomas B. Wagner (hereinafter "Defendant Wagner") is an individual and the owner of Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect.

FACTS

- On January 4, 2010, Plaintiffs and Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect entered into an Agreement for architectural services for home improvement work on the Property.
- 6. The Agreement provided for the conversion of the existing attached garage into a kitchen and family room space; the construction of a new attached two-car garage; the construction of a second story addition over the existing garage; and second floor deck over the new two-story garage on the Property.
- 7. Additionally, the Resolution of the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Borough of Haddonfield Granting Variance Approval to Brian and Barbara Collins, shows how the subdivision was in three phases, detailing how the architectural services

were to be completed.

- 7. Phase Three of the Agreement is an optional provision titled "Construction Administration," which states that Defendant Wagner "will act as your agent to oversee the contractors' performance, monitor the progress of work, respond to questions from contractors, inspectors, and building code officials. We will be present on the jobsite as required to ensure the work is done in conformance to the contract documents."
- 8. Additionally, Phase Three promises to "either bid the project to several builders or contract with a builder early on in the process who will provide estimates for construction based on the schemes we propose."
- Plaintiffs accepted Phase Three of the Agreement and paid Defendant Wagner, for additional services that he would be providing.
- 10. On or about August 5, 2010, Plaintiffs accepted a proposed contract submitted by Defendant PJW, to perform the construction work on the Property for a total sum of "one hundred and ninety five thousand four hundred dollars (\$195,400.00)."
- 11. The pricing was based and "in accordance with drawings per Thomas Wagner Architect."
- 12. Construction commenced on or about October of 2010.

- 13. However, shortly thereafter, Plaintiffs experienced multiple issues associated with the work performed by all Defendants.
- 14. Beginning on or about December 12, 2010, due to a deficient design and/ or construction defect, water did not properly drain from the roof causing puddles of water to collect on the roof and/ or water intrusion. Moreover, the deficient drainage system caused a significant growth of mold.
- 15. Defendant PJW did not use the building material described in the plans during construction. In particular, the sheet rubber roof material listed in the plans has a useful life of forty to fifty years; whereas the material actually used by Defendant PJW has a useful life of ten to fifteen years.
- 15. Plaintiffs initially notified Defendant PJW on or about December 12, 2010, again in the spring of 2011, and then a third time by telephone in the spring of 2014. Plaintiff notified Defendant a fourth and final time by way of letter dated August 28, 2016, advising of the leaking roof and need for mold remediation in the garage.
- 16. After the first signs of mold damage emerged in 2014, Plaintiffs notified Defendant PJW. However, Defendant PJW was unresponsive and failed to schedule an appointment to visit the Property to assess the damage.
- 17. Plaintiffs contacted another company to access and estimate the repairs needed for

the defective construction and to possibly complete and repair the defective construction. Plaintiffs notified Defendant PJW of the proposal to repair the defective construction by way of letter dated October 7, 2016.

- 18. The remedial work included the "removal of the existing composite decking, removal of existing roof membrane, removal of two (2) walls of screen porch access and the installation of new waterproofing, the installation of new fiberglass surface for waterproofing, installation of drainage holes on the same side of the garage, reparation of drywall and insulation of drywall in the garage, installation of decking on the screen porch only and installation of screen walls as required. Additional work will include removal of the garage door and garage door opener, the removal of damaged drywall, removal and installation of a new five (5) floor joist, mold remediation and installation of new drywall. Finally, the repaired areas will be painted as required."
- 19. Furthermore, Plaintiffs contacted Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect regarding the defective construction. Defendant Wagner responded by way of electronic correspondence on February 25, 2017 that he did "not know how the roofing was installed and how it was lapped and the location of the seams," despite the fact that he agreed to act as Plaintiffs' agent and be present during construction under the Agreement for Architectural services.

- 20. Plaintiffs continued to negotiate with Defendant PJW to agree upon a proposal to repair the damages caused by the construction, and, on March 27, 2017, Plaintiffs executed a new Agreement to complete the necessary repair work at the Property.
- 21. However, thereafter, Defendant PJW failed to contact Plaintiffs to schedule the work. Plaintiffs' counsel contacted Defendant PJW on April 18, 2017 by way of electronic correspondence to inquire as to when the work would be scheduled.
- 22. On May 8, 2017, Defendant PJW sent Plaintiffs' counsel an electronic correspondence stating that the project had been delayed due to rain and that it would continue to be delayed for "a couple weeks."
- 23. As of the filing of this Complaint, Defendants have failed to return any of the funds paid by Plaintiffs and have failed to perform any remedial work to repair the damages caused by the defective construction.
- 24. By failing to perform the agreed upon services, Defendants PJW breached the terms of the contracts entered into with Plaintiffs, thereby entitling Plaintiffs to all funds paid for Defendant PJW's incomplete work.

FIRST COUNT (VIOLATION OF CONSUMER FRAUD ACT N.J.S.A. § 56:8-2 – AFFIRAMTIVE ACT)

- 25. Plaintiffs incorporate paragraphs one through twenty-four (1-24) as restated fully herein.
- 26. As a result of Defendant PJW's failure to use the agreed upon construction materials, failure to properly install decking resulting in torn/ damaged roofing materials, and failure to construct a proper drainage system on the newly constructed garage roof, Plaintiffs have suffered extensive damage to its Property. Accordingly, Plaintiff has been and will continue to be caused to expend large sums of money to repair the negligent construction completed by Defendant PJW.
- 27. Additionally, as a result of Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect and Defendant Wagner's failure to ensure proper construction as promised in the Agreement for Architectural Services, Plaintiff has suffered extensive damage to its Property. Accordingly, Plaintiff has been and will continue to be caused to expend large sums of money to repair damage.
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WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, Brian and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife, demands judgment against the Defendants, PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; THOMAS B. WAGNER ARCHITECT; and THOMAS B. WAGNER, individually, and as a

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SECOND COUNT (VIOLATION OF CONSUMER FRAUD ACT, N.J.S.A. § 56:8-2 – ACTS OF OMMISSION)

- 29. Plaintiffs incorporate paragraphs one through twenty eight (1-28) as restated fully herein.
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32. Thus, the failure of Defendants PJW, Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect, and Defendant Wagner to act pursuant to the terms of the contract and in a reasonable professional matter of Defendant constitutes a violation of N.J.S.A. § 56:8-2.

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FIFTH COUNT (UNLAWFUL PRACTICES IN VIOLATION OF N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2(a)(3)(iv))

- 37. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one through thirty-six (1-36) as restated fully herein.
- 38. The conduct and/or omissions of Defendants PJW Services, LLC, a/k/a/, P.J. Ward and Sons; Thomas B. Wagner Architect; and Thomas B. Wagner, as aforesaid herein constitutes a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2 and N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2(a)(3)(iv).

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, Brian and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife, demands judgment against the Defendants PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; THOMAS B. WAGNER ARCHITECT; and THOMAS B. WAGNER, individually, and as a representative of Thomas B. Wagner Architect for:

- a) Compensatory Damages;
- b) Punitive Damages;
- c) Attorney's fees, Costs and Interests, and
- d) Any other relief this Court deems just and necessary.

SIXTH COUNT (UNLAWFUL PRACTICES IN VIOLATION OF N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2(a)(7)(ii))

- 39. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one through thirty eight (1-38) as restated fully herein.
- 40. The conduct and/or omissions of Defendants PJW Services, LLC, a/k/a/, P.J. Ward and Sons; Thomas B. Wagner Architect; and Thomas B. Wagner as aforesaid herein constitutes a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:45A–16.2(a)(7)(ii).

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, Brian and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife, demands judgment against the Defendants PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; THOMAS B. WAGNER ARCHITECT; and THOMAS B. WAGNER for:

- a) Compensatory Damages;
- b) Punitive Damages;
- c) Attorney's fees, Costs and Interests, and
- d) Any other relief this Court deems just and necessary.

SEVENTH COUNT BREACH OF CONTRACT

- 41. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one though forty (1-40) as restated fully herein.
- 42. Defendant PJW's failure to properly install decking and to construct a proper drainage system on the roof of the newly constructed garage and its failure to use the materials specified in the agreement constitutes a breach of the contract it entered into with Plaintiffs.
- 43. Further, Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect's failure to ensure construction was

completed in conformance with the agreement constitutes a breach of the contract it entered into with Plaintiffs.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, Brian and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife, demands judgment against the Defendants PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; THOMAS B. WAGNER ARCHITECT; and THOMAS B. WAGNER for:

- a) Compensatory Damages;
- b) Punitive Damages;
- c) Attorney's fees, Costs and Interests, and
- d) Any other relief this Court deems just and necessary.
- e) Such other relief that the Court may deem just and equitable.

EIGHTH COUNT BREACH OF EXPRESS WARRANTY

- 44. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one though forty-three (1-43) as restated fully herein.
- 45. Defendant PJW's failure to properly install decking and to construct a proper drainage system on the roof of the newly constructed garage and its failure to use the materials specified in the agreement constitutes a breach of the contract it entered into with Plaintiffs.
- 46. Further, Defendant Thomas B. Wagner, Architect's failure to ensure construction was completed in conformance with the agreement constitutes a breach of the contract entered into with Plaintiffs.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiffs, Brian and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife, demand judgment against the Defendants PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; THOMAS B. WAGNER ARCHITECT; and THOMAS B. WAGNER for:

- a) Compensatory Damages;
- b) Punitive Damages;
- c) Attorney's fees, Costs and Interests, and
- d) Any other relief this Court deems just and necessary.
- e) Such other relief that the Court may deem just and equitable.

NINTH COUNT NEGLIGENCE AGAINST DEFENDANTS PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS

- 47. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one though forty-six (1-46) as restated fully herein.
- 48. Defendant PJW owed a duty to Plaintiffs to professionally and competently perform construction services on Plaintiffs' home.
- 49. Defendant PJW breached the duty owed to Plaintiff, by failing to complete the work in a professional and workmanlike manner, and by failing to complete the work "in accordance with drawings per Thomas Wagner Architect."
- 50. Defendant PJW also failed to conform to professional industry standards in the manner in which it conducted its work.
- 51. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant PJW's breach of duty, Plaintiff suffered and

continues to suffer ongoing damages, including a damaged and leaking roof and a significant amount of mold intrusion.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiffs, Brian and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife, demand judgment against the Defendants PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; for:

- a) Compensatory Damages;
- b) Punitive Damages;
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- d) Any other relief this Court deems just and necessary.
- e) Such other relief that the Court may deem just and equitable.

TENTH COUNT NEGLIGENCE AGAINST DEFENDANT THOMAS B. WAGNER, ARCHITECT and THOMAS B. WAGNER

- 52. Plaintiff incorporates paragraphs one though fifty one (1-51) as restated fully herein.
- 53. Defendant THOMAS B. WAGNER, ARCHITECT / THOMAS B. WAGNER owed a duty to Plaintiffs to professionally and competently render construction management services with respect to the construction on Plaintiff's home.
- 54. Further, Defendant THOMAS B. WAGNER, ARCHITECT / THOMAS B. WAGNER owed a duty to professionally and competently monitor the work ongoing at Plaintiff's

home, specifically by "oversee[ing] the contractors performance, monitor[ing] the progress of the work, respond[ing] to questions from contractors inspectors, and building code officials." Defendant Wager had a duty to "be present on the jobsite as required to ensure the work is done in conformance to the contract documents."

- 55. Defendant THOMAS B. WAGNER, ARCHITECT / THOMAS B. WAGNER breached this duty, as evidenced by the defective work performed at Plaintiff's home, and the improper and non-conforming materials utilized in construction.
- 56. Further, as THOMAS B. WAGNER, ARCHITECT / THOMAS B. WAGNER admits, "I do not know how the roofing was installed and how it was lapped and the location of the seams." This constitutes a clear admission of his breach of duty to monitor the jobsite "to ensure the work is done in conformance with the contract documents."
- 57. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant THOMAS B. WAGNER, ARCHITECT / THOMAS B. WAGNER's breach of duty, Plaintiff suffered and continues to suffer ongoing damages, including a damaged and leaking roof and a significant amount of mold intrusion.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiffs, Brian and Barbara Collins, Husband and Wife, demand judgment against the Defendant THOMAS B. WAGNER, ARCHITECT / THOMAS B. WAGNER; for:

a) Compensatory Damages;

- b) Punitive Damages;
- c) Attorney's fees, Costs and Interests, and
- d) Any other relief this Court deems just and necessary.
- e) Such other relief that the Court may deem just and equitable.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me is willfully false, I may be subject to punishment.

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC

By:

Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire

Attorneys for Plaintiffs,

Brian Collins and Barbara Collins

Date

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JURY DEMAND

Plaintiffs, BRIAN COLLINS and BARBARA COLLINS, hereby demands trial by jury of all issues triable under the applicable law.

NOTICE PURSUANT TO THE RULES

TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned attorney, counsel for the Plaintiff, hereby demands, pursuant to Rules 1:5-1(a) and 4:17-4 (c) that each party herein serving pleadings and interrogatories and receiving answers thereto, serve copies of all such pleadings and answers to interrogatories received from any party upon the undersigned attorney and TAKE NOTICE that this is a continuing demand.

DEMAND FOR DISCOVERY OF INSURANCE COVERAGE

Pursuant to Rule 4:10-2(b), demand is hereby made that you disclose to the undersigned whether there are any insurance agreements or policies under which any person or entity carrying on an insurance business may be liable to satisfy part or all of a judgment which may be entered in this action or to indemnify or reimburse for payments made to satisfy judgment.

If so, attach a copy of each policy or agreement, or in the alternative state, under oath or certification: (a) policy number (b) name and address of insurer or issuer; (c) inception and expiration dates; (d) names and addresses of all persons/entities covered; (e) personal injury limits; (f) property damage limits; and (g) medical payment limits.

DEMAND FOR ANSWERS TO INTERROGATORIES & SUPPLEMENTAL INTERROGATORIES

Plaintiff hereby requests that Defendants answer all questions in the Model

Questions for Contract and Debt Collection Cases Where the Demand Exceeds \$3,000 attached
for your convenience within the time provided in accordance with Rule 4:17-4, et seq. Plaintiff
hereby requests that Defendants answer all Supplemental Interrogatories #1-10 when provided.

Plaintiff further request that all parties supply copies of any and all answers to Interrogatories that they have or will provide to other parties in this action. Please note that this is a continuing request.

NOTICE OF UTILIZATION OF TIME UNIT METHOD OF CALCULATING DAMAGES

Be advised that pursuant to Rule 1:7(b), Plaintiff may utilize the time unit method for calculating damages at the time of trial.

DESIGNATION OF TRIAL COUNSEL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Rule 4:25-4 of the Rules of Civil Practice, SALVATORE J. SICILIANO, ESQUIRE is hereby designated as trial counsel on behalf of the law offices of Siciliano & Associates, LLC, attorney(s) for the Plaintiff in the within action.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 4:5-1

I hereby certify that I am not aware that the within action is the subject matter of any other action or arbitration proceeding. I am also unaware that any other action or arbitration

proceeding is contemplated. I further certify that I am not aware of any parties that should be joined in this action.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me is willfully false, I may be subject to punishment.

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC

By:

Salvatore J. Siciliano, Esquire

Attorneys for Plaintiff,

Brian Collins and Barbara Collins

Date: 8/17/17

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01/31/2018	MOTION FOR DISMISSAL submitted by OSORIO, JOHN, H of MARSHALL DENNEHEY WARNER COLEMAN ET AL on behalf of THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT, THOMAS B WAGNER against BRIAN COLLINS, BARBARA COLLINS	LCV2018195275	01/31/2018

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	02/08/2018	() ()	OPPOSITION TO MOTION submitted by SICILIANO, SALVATORE, J of SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC on behalf of BRIAN COLLINS, BARBARA COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT, THOMAS B WAGNER	LCV2018249657	02/08/2018
	02/12/2018		REPLY BRIEF submitted by OSORIO, JOHN, H of MARSHALL DENNEHEY WARNER COLEMAN ET AL on behalf of THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT, THOMAS B WAGNER against BRIAN COLLINS, BARBARA COLLINS	LCV2018262453	02/12/2018
	02/13/2018	0	REPLY BRIEF submitted by SICILIANO, SALVATORE, J of SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC on behalf of BRIAN COLLINS, BARBARA COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT, THOMAS B WAGNER	LCV2018276546	
	02/14/2018	M	Oral argument has been granted. Hearing is scheduled on 02/16/2018 with Judge KASSEL, MICHAEL, J, Court Room 32 . re: MOTION FOR DISMISSAL [LCV2018195275]	LCV2018278120	02/14/2018
	02/16/2018	0	MEDIATION submitted by Case Management	LCV2018297280	02/16/2018
	02/16/2018	0	ORDER FOR DISMISSAL-Partial by Judge KASSEL, MICHAEL, J re: MOTION FOR DISMISSAL [LCV2018195275]	LCV2018317605	02/20/2018
	02/24/2018	∅	COURT submitted by Case Management	LCV2018344820	02/24/2018
	05/03/2018	(j	COURT Notice submitted by Case Management	LCV2018775458	05/03/2018
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	05/09/2018	() ()	COURT Notice submitted by Case Management	LCV2018809467	05/09/2018
	05/09/2018		5-DAY ORDER submitted by SICILIANO, SALVATORE, J of SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT	LCV2018819088	05/09/2018
	05/11/2018	() (<u>)</u>	Case Management Order-Court Initiated - GRANTED by Judge KASSEL, MICHAEL, J	LCV2018835530	05/11/2018
	05/14/2018	() 	DISCOVERY END DATE REMINDER Notice submitted by Case Management	LCV2018840134	05/14/2018
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	07/12/2018	\bowtie	The motion filed on 07/10/2018 will be decided on 08/03/2018. Do not come to the courthouse because no oral argument has been requested. The court's decision will be provided to you. Re: MOTION TO FILE OR AMEND COMPLAINT [LCV20181194631]	LCV20181209414	07/12/2018
	07/26/2018		CROSS MOTION DISMISSING COMPLAINT submitted by OSORIO, JOHN, H of MARSHALL DENNEHEY WARNER COLEMAN ET AL on behalf of THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT against BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS, PJW SERVICES LLC *LINKED FILING*	LCV20181301006	07/26/2018
	07/27/2018	\bowtie	The motion filed on 07/26/2018 will be decided on 08/03/2018. Do not come to the courthouse because no oral argument has been requested. The court's decision will be provided to you. Re: CROSS MOTION DISMISSING COMPLAINT [LCV2018 301006]	LCV20181303140	07/27/2018
	07/27/2018	\bowtie	The motion filed on 07/10/2018 was rescheduled to 08/17/2018. Do not come to the courthouse because no oral argument has been requested. The court's decision will be provided to you. Re: MOTION TO FILE OR AMEND COMPLAINT [LCV20181194631]	LCV20181304817	07/27/2018
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	07/27/2018		GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE submitted by SICILIANO, SALVATORE, J of SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT	LCV20181304918	07/27/2018
	07/27/2018	0	GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE submitted by SICILIANO, SALVATORE, J of SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT	LCV20181306381	07/27/2018
	08/09/2018	0	OPPOSITION TO MOTION submitted by SICILIANO, SALVATORE, J of SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT *LINKED FILING*	LCV20181385002	08/09/2018

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08/16/2018	⊌	LLC on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT	LCV20181427293	08/16/2018
08/17/2018		ORDER TO FILE OR AMEND COMPLAINT-Partial by Judge KASSEL, MICHAEL, J re: MOTION TO FILE OR AMEND COMPLAINT [LCV20181194631]	LCV20181434291	08/17/2018
08/17/2018		ORDER DISMISSING COMPLAINT-Partial by Judge KASSEL, MICHAEL, J re: CROSS MOTION DISMISSING COMPLAINT [LCV20181301006]	LCV20181434303	08/17/2018
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10/11/2018		GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE submitted by SICILIANO, SALVATORE, J of SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT	LCV20181773212	0/11/2018
10/12/2018		COURT Notice submitted by Case Management	LCV20181780130	0/12/2018
11/09/2018		BRIEF submitted by OSORIO, JOHN, H of MARSHALL DENNEHEY WARNER COLEMAN ET AL on behalf of THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT against BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS, PJW SERVICES LLC	LCV20181959510	1/09/2018
11/17/2018		COURT Notice submitted by Case Management	LCV20182006262	1/17/2018
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12/29/2018	∅	COURT Notice submitted by Case Management	LCV20182245104	12/29/2018
01/25/2019		ADJOURNMENT REQUEST submitted by SICILIANO, SALVATORE, J of SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT	LCV2019160730 ()1/25/2019
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02/01/2019	() ∞	BRIEF submitted by HAGNER, MICHAEL, JAMES of SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT	LCV2019206238 (02/01/2019
02/06/2019	0	Order Dismissing Complaint - GRANTED by Judge KASSEL, MICHAEL, J ADJOURNMENT REQUEST submitted by HAGNER, MICHAEL, JAMES of SICILIANO &	LCV2019232095 ()2/06/2019
02/28/2019	<u>™</u>	ASSOCIATES, LLC on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES	LCV2019371263 ()2/28/2019
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05/06/2019		PROOF OF SERVICE submitted by HEINRICH, RACHEL, C of WILENTZ GOLDMAN & SPITZER on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT	LCV2019792799 ()5/06/2019

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05/09/2019	() [2]	COURT Notice submitted by Case Management	LCV2019816488	05/09/2019
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05/21/2019	\bowtie	The motion filed on 05/21/2019 will be decided on 06/07/2019. Do not come to the courthouse because no oral argument has been requested. The court's decision will be provided to you. Re: MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE [LCV2019894158]	LCV2019894519	05/21/2019
06/07/2019		ORDER FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE-Granted by Judge KASSEL, MICHAEL, J re: MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE [$\underline{LCV2019894158}$]	LCV20191003886	06/07/2019
06/13/2019		COURT Notice submitted by Case Management	LCV20191035588	06/13/2019
07/03/2019		SUBSTITUTE ATTORNEY submitted by HOPKINS, KATHERINE, ANN of WILENTZ GOLDMAN & SPITZER on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT	LCV20191160952	07/03/2019
08/30/2019	0	CERTIFICATION submitted by HOPKINS, KATHERINE, ANN of WILENTZ GOLDMAN & SPITZER on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC	LCV20191554952	08/30/2019
09/10/2019	0	MOTION TO COMPEL DISCOVERY submitted by HOPKINS, KATHERINE, ANN of WILENTZ GOLDMAN & SPITZER on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC	LCV20191618995	09/10/2019
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10/08/2019	0	DESIGNATION OF TRIAL ATTORNEY submitted by HOPKINS, KATHERINE, ANN of WILENTZ GOLDMAN & SPITZER on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC	LCV20191830645	10/08/2019
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10/31/2019	() ()	FINAL JUDGMENT submitted by HOPKINS, KATHERINE, ANN of WILENTZ GOLDMAN & SPITZER on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC	LCV20192003241	10/31/2019
10/31/2019	() ()	Order To Enter Judgment - GRANTED by Judge KASSEL, MICHAEL, J	LCV20192004707	10/31/2019
11/08/2019	0	ORDERS FOR JUDGMENTS submitted by HOPKINS, KATHERINE, ANN of WILENTZ GOLDMAN & SPITZER on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC, THOMAS B WAGNER, THOMAS B WAGNER ARCHITECT	LCV20192061115	11/08/2019
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11/22/2019	() ()		LCV20192167520	11/22/2019
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12/03/2019	9	Order For Discovery - GRANTED by Judge KASSEL, MICHAEL, J	LCV20192214981	12/03/2019
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12/16/2019	0	Notice Of Appeal submitted by Court	LCV20192322119	12/17/2019

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01/31/2020	WRIT OF EXECUTION submitted by HOPKINS, KATHERINE, ANN of WILENTZ GOLDMAN & SPITZER on behalf of BARBARA COLLINS, BRIAN COLLINS against PJW SERVICES LLC	LCV2020217446	01/31/2020				
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Exhibit "E"

SICILIANO & ASSOCIATES, LLC

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Attorney for Plaintiffs, BRIAN COLLINS and BARBARA COLLINS

BRIAN COLLINS and BARBARA COLLINS, Husband and Wife

Plaintiffs,

VS.

PJW SERVICES, L.L.C., a/k/a/, P.J. WARD AND SONS; THOMAS B. WAGNER ARCHITECT; and THOMAS B. WAGNER, individually, and as a representative of Thomas B. Wagner Architect.

Defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION – CAMDEN COUNTY

Docket No. CAM -L-2766-17

CIVIL ACTION

PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSES TO DEFENDANT'S REQUEST FOR ADMISSIONS

To: John H. Osorio, Esquire
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Pursuant to Rule 4:22, Plaintiffs, Brian Collins and Barbara Collins, hereby submits the following Answers to Defendant Thomas B. Wagner Architect and Thomas B. Wagner individually, and as a representative of Thomas B. Wagner Architect's (hereinafter, "Wagner") Request for Admissions.

GENERAL OBJECTIONS TO DEFENDANT WAGNER'S REQUEST FOR ADMISSIONS

A. Plaintiff objects to each of Defendant's Request for Admissions to the extent that they seek information protected from disclosure by the attorney-client privilege, the attorney work-product doctrine, or any other applicable privileges, laws, or rules. Any inadvertent production of material

that is subject to any privilege, or otherwise protected or immune from discovery, shall <u>not</u> constitute a waiver of any privilege or of any other ground for objecting to discovery of such material, its subject matter or information contained therein, or of the Plaintiff's right to object to the use of such material during any later proceeding.

- B. Plaintiff objects to each of Defendant's Request for Admissions to the extent that they are overly broad, vague, unduly burdensome, or not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.
- C. Plaintiff's responses are made without in any way waiving or intending to waive, but to the contrary, intending to preserve and preserving, the following: (a) <u>all</u> objections concerning the admissibility of any information or documents provided, including objections with respect to the relevance or materiality of such information or documents, in any subsequent proceeding or the trial of this or any other action; (b) the right to object to the use of any information or documents that may be provided or the subject matter thereof in any subsequent proceeding of this or any other action on any grounds; (c) the right to object on any grounds at any time to further discovery involving or relating to the subject matter of Defendant's Interrogatories; and (d) the right at any time to revise, correct, supplement, clarify, or amend the Plaintiff's responses to Defendant's Request for Admissions.
- D. All of Plaintiff's responses to Defendant's Request for Admissions are based on the Plaintiff's best understanding of the Interrogatories and the defined terms used therein. Such responses cannot properly be used as evidence except in the context in which the Plaintiff understood the Request for Admissions and terms therein.
- E. Plaintiff objects to each of Defendant's Request for Admissions insofar as they seek information regarding the knowledge, possession, custody, or control of another, or information concerning the activities of any other party or non-party to this action.
- F. To the extent that Plaintiff responds to Defendant's Request for Admissions, Plaintiff does <u>not</u> concede that the information requested is relevant to this action. Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to object to further discovery of the subject matter of any of the Request for Admissions and the introduction into evidence of any information provided.
- G. Plaintiff reserves the right to challenge the competency, relevance, materiality, and admissibility of

the information produced in any subsequent proceedings, or in the trial of this or any other action, and to object on any grounds to the use of the documents produced in any subsequent proceeding or the trial of this or any other action.

H. Plaintiff incorporates all of these general objections in each and every one of its responses to Defendant's Request for Admissions as if fully set forth therein, and such response is subject to these general objections.

RESPONSES TO DEFENDANT WAGNER'S REQUEST FOR ADMISSIONS

1. You entered into a written contract with Thomas B. Wagner Architect dated December 26, 2009.

RESPONSE: Admitted.

2. The contract attached as Exhibit A to this request is a true and accurate copy of the contract entered into between you and Thomas B. Wagner Architect.

RESPONSE: Admitted.

3. The written contract between you and Thomas B. Wagner Architect (exhibit A) was signed by you on January 4, 2010.

RESPOSNE: Admitted.

4. You first filed your complaint in this litigation on July 11, 2017.

RESPONSE: Admitted.

5. The complaint attached hereto as Exhibit B is a true and accurate copy of the complaint filed on your behalf by your attorneys on July 11, 2017.

RESPONSE: Admitted.

6. In your initial complaint, you represented that beginning on or about December 12, 2010, water did not properly drain from the roof.

RESPONSE: Admitted.

7. As of December 12, 2010, you were aware that there were damages in the area where work had been performed by the defendants in this litigation.

RESPONSE: Denied. Plaintiff was unaware of any damage on December 12, 2010.

Plaintiff was aware that puddles of water collected on the garage floor and of water intrusion.

8. As of December 12, 2010, you were aware that water did not properly drain from the roof where Thomas B. Wagner Architect had performed services pursuant to its contract with you.

RESPONSE: Denied. As of December 12, 2010, Plaintiff was unaware of what caused the puddles of water to collect on the garage floor.

9.	You were represented	by counsel	prior to Dec	ember 12, 2016.
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RESPONSE: Admitted.

10. You were represented by Salvatore Siciliano prior to December 12, 2016.

RESPONSE: Admitted.

11. In 2015, defendant P.J. Ward & Sons attempted repairs to the roof in question.

RESPONSE: Denied. Defendant P.J. Ward & Sons attempted minor remedial work in 2014.

12. In November of 2016, your attorneys communicated with P.J. Ward & Sons in an attempt to agree to a scope of work to repair the alleged defects.

RESPONSE: Admitted.

13. You never had any direct communications with anyone from Thomas B. Wagner Architect related to any claimed defects with the work performed in 2010 until February of 2017.

RESPONSE: Admitted.

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14. No one from Thomas B. Wagner Architect was provided with any proposals for remediation work until February of 2017.

RESPONSE: Admitted.

15. No one from Thomas B. Wagner Architect made any representations to you regarding any alleged defects you discovered on December 12, 2016.

RESPONSE: Denied. The contract entered into between Plaintiffs and Defendant Thomas

B. Wagner is a document which speaks for itself.

16. No one from Thomas B. Wagner Architect made any representations to you regarding any alleged defects until February of 2017.

RESPONSE: Denied. The contract entered into between Plaintiffs and Defendant Thomas

B. Wagner is a document which speaks for itself.

17. You did not have an architectural expert investigation your claimed damages until April of 2018.

RESPONSE: Admitted.

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Civil Case Information Statement

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Name of Party: PLAINTIFF: Collins, Brian

Name of Defendant's Primary Insurance Company

(if known): Unknown

Case Type: PROFESSIONAL MALPRACTICE

Document Type: Complaint with Jury Demand

Jury Demand: YES - 6 JURORS

Is this a professional malpractice case? YES

Related cases pending: NO If yes, list docket numbers:

Do you anticipate adding any parties (arising out of same

transaction or occurrence)? NO
Are sexual abuse claims alleged? NO

THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS FORM CANNOT BE INTRODUCED INTO EVIDENCE

CASE CHARACTERISTICS FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING IF CASE IS APPROPRIATE FOR MEDIATION

Do parties have a current, past, or recurrent relationship? YES

If yes, is that relationship: Business

Does the statute governing this case provide for payment of fees by the losing party? NO

Use this space to alert the court to any special case characteristics that may warrant individual management or accelerated disposition:

Do you or your client need any disability accommodations? NO If yes, please identify the requested accommodation:

Will an interpreter be needed? NO If yes, for what language:

Please check off each applicable category: Putative Class Action? NO Title 59? NO Consumer Fraud? NO

I certify that confidential personal identifiers have been redacted from documents now submitted to the court, and will be redacted from all documents submitted in the future in accordance with *Rule* 1:38-7(b)

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